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In re application of

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For: Methods and Compositions for Modulating Immune Response and For The Treatment of Inflammatory Disease

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 29, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

*Sub B1* > 12. (Amended) A composition comprising a dimethylglycine [DMG] component and at least one Perna canaliculus [PCE] component.

*13.* (Amended) A composition according to claim 12, wherein at least one Perna canaliculus [PCE] component comprises freeze-dried ground whole mussel.

*Sub B2* > 15. (Amended) A kit comprising a dimethylglycine [DMG] formulation and a Perna canaliculus [PCE] formulation, wherein the Perna canaliculus [PCE] formulation